Claims 2, 3, 9, 10, 12 were amended. Claims 4-8, 11, 13, 14, and 16-23 remain

unchanged. Claims 1 and 15 are cancelled.

In the office action of 3/15/2007, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2 and 9-15. The

Examiner allowed claims 16-23 and objected claims 3-8. Objected claims will be

allowed if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim.

Claim 3 was amended to include all the limitations of base claim 1 and was rewritten as

an independent claim. Claims 2, 9, 10 and 12 were amended to depend upon claim 3. As

the Examiner indicated, claim 3 should be now allowable. Claims 2, 4-14 depend

directly or indirectly upon claim 3 and since claim 3 is allowable they should also be

allowable.

The Examiner indicated in the advisory action of 5/10/07 that these claim amendments

would be allowable if submitted in a separate timely filed amendment canceling the non-

allowable claims 1 and 15.

In view of the above, it is submitted that all claims 2-14 and 16-23 are in condition for

allowance. Reconsideration of the claim objections is requested and allowance of all

claims at an early date is solicited.

If this response is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise

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Respectfully submitted,

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